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Staff meeting.

I spent a short time in the conference room where representatives of Governors of the eight Great Lakes States and officials of the Fish and Wild Life Service had gathered to discuss a treaty with Canada covering the control of sea lampreys.

Frank Wisner came to lunch with me in the office.

Later I saw John Cabot, whose departure for Pakistan has been postponed at Foster Dulles's request.

I spent a great deal of time today on the matter of the security of United States employees in the United Nations, and tonight had a talk with Messrs. Fisher, Humelsine and Hickerson, who are going to New York tomorrow to testify on this subject before the Senate Subcommittee, which will probably consist of Senators Ferguson and O'Conor.

Fisher also took up with me a matter concerning the furnishing of documents regarding Middle East oil affairs by certain American oil companies to the District Court here. We drafted a letter to Mr. Emmerglick of the Department of Justice in this regard.

Tonight we had a dinner at home for Margaret Biddle. The others were Loy Henderson, the Walter Lippmanns and Ridgway Knights. Needless to say, there was a great deal of discussion about French North Africa. Serious rioting is going on there as a result of the assassination of Hached, the Arab anti-Communist labor leader.

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